CHAPTER IV .- FATHER BENWELL HITS.

Art has its trials as well as its triamphs. It is powerless to assert itself against the sordid interests of every-day life. The greatest book ever written, the finest picture ever painted, appeals in vain to minds preoccupied by selfish Loring's gallery Father Benwell found but one person who was not looking at the pictures under false pretenses.

Innocent of all suspicion of the conflicting interests whose struggle now centered in himself, Romayne was carefully studying the pictures which had been made the pretext for inviting him to the house. He had bowed to spoken." Stella, with a tranquil admiration of her beauty; he had shaken hands with Penrose, and had said some kind words to his future secretary-and then he had turned to the picture, as if Stella and Penrose had ceased from that moment to occupy his mind.

"In your place," he said, quietly, to Lord Loring, "I should not buy this

"Why not?"

"It seems to me to have the serious defect of the modern English school of painting. A total want of thought in how to do that," he said. "But I should the rendering of the subject, disguised naturally, as his assistant, encourage under dexterous technical tricks of the | him to keep to his studies." brush. When you have seen one of He manufactures—he doesn't paint."

Father Benwell came in while Romayne was speaking. He went through politeness, but a little absently. His placing obstacles in the lady's way." mind was bent on putting his suspicion of Stella to the test of confirmation. Not waiting to be presented, he turned to her with the air of fatherly interest and chastened admiration which he well knew how to assume in his intercourse with women.

"May Iask if you agree with Mr. Romayne's estimate of the picture," he said, in his gentlest tones.

She had heard of him and his posithe house It was quite need less for Lady Loring to whisper to her, "Father Benwell, my dear!" Her anapathy identified him as readily as her sympathy might have identified a man who had produced a favorable impression on her. "I have no pretention to be a critic," she answered, with frigid politeness. "I only know what I personally like or dislike."

The reply exactly answered Father Benwell's purpose. It diverted Romayne's attention from the picture to Stella. The priest had secured his opportunity of reading their faces while

hey were looking at each other. "I think you have just stated the ress our opinions of pictures or books speaking, in either case, of what perionally pleases or repels us. My poor pinion of that picture means that it

on to her; but there was no betraval lieved of anxiety, so far as Romayne concerned, Father Benwell looked

steadily as she controlled herself, the fession of her heart's secret found its into her face. The coldly composexpression which had confronted the st when she spoke to him melted softly under the influence of Rone's voice and Romayne's look. hout any positive change of color | to you?" felicate skin glowed faintly, as if it ome animating inner warmth. Her and lips brightened with a new ty : her frail, elegant figure seemne leaf of a flower under a favornny air. When she answered Rospeak to her and still to look at hich would in itself have told Benwell the truth, even if he been in a position to see her confirmed in his doubts of her Loring next. Sympathy with

> te picture was resumed by ng, who thought the opinions yne and Stella needlessly ady Loring, as usual, agreed usband. While the general as occupied in this way, well said a word to Penrose-

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advantages, Father!" "Leave it to me, son. Are they still talking about the nicture?"

"Yes." "I have something more to say to you. Have you noticed the young

"I thought her beautiful-but she looks a little cold." Father Benwell smiled

"When you are as old as I am." he said, "you will not believe in appearances where women are concerned. Do you know what I think of her? Beautiful if you like-and dangerous as well." "Dangerous? In what way?"

She is in love with Romayne. Wait a when I want to see the life in the streets minute. And Lady Loring-unless I as a relief. Though we are in a hotel, bow eager I am to be of service to him! am entirely mistaken in what I ob- I can promise that you will not be served-knows it and favors it. The troubled by interruptions, when you beautiful Stella may be the destruction | kindly lend me the use of your pen." and secret cares. On entering Lord of all our hopes, unless we keep Romayne out of her way."

These words were whispered with an carnestness and agitation which surprised Penrose. His superior's equanimity was not easily overthrown.

say?" he asked.

"I am quite sure, or I would not have

"Do you think Mr. Romayne returns the feeling?"

"Not yet, luckily. You must use your first friendly influence over himwhat is her name? Her surname, I

"Evrecourt. Miss Stella Evrecourt." "Very well. You must use your influence (when you are quite sure that it is an influence) to keep Mr. Romayne away from Miss Evrecourt."

Penrose looked embarrassed. "I am afraid I should scarcely know

Whatever Arthur's superior might that man's pictures, you have seen all. | privately think of Arthur's reply, he received it with outward indulgence. "That will come to the same thing," he said. "Besides, when I get the inforthe ceremony of introduction to the mation I want-this is strictly between master of Vange Abbey with perfect ourselves-I may be of some use in Penrose started. "Information!" he

> repeated. "What information?" "Tell me something before I answer von." said Father Benwell. "How old do vou take Miss Evrecourt to be?" "I am not a good judge in such mat-

Miss Evrecourt?

"No, indeed!" "A lady is not in love for the first twenty-five years old-that is my experience," said Father Benwell. "If I can find a person capable of informing me. I may make some valuable discoveries in the earlier history of Miss Evrecourt's life. No more, now. We had better return to our friends."

The group before the picture which had been the subject of dispute was broken up. In one part of the gallery irue motive for all criticism," Romayne | Lady Loring and Stella were whispering together on a sofa. In another part

> "Do you think you will like Mr. Penrose?" his lordship asked. "Yes-so far as I can tell at present

"You are looking ill, my dear Romayne. Have you again heard the

voice that haunts you?" Romayne answered with evident reluctance. "I don't know why," he said, "but the dread of hearing it again has oppressed me all this morning. To tell you the truth I came here in the hope that the change might relieve

"Yes." "Doesn't that suggest, my friend, that a greater change might be of use

"Don't ask me about it, Loring!

car go through my ordes I-but I hate speaking of it." "Let us speak of something else,

then," said Lord Loring. "What do you think of Miss Eyrecourt ?" "A very striking face; full of ex-

(agreeing with him, it is needless pression and character. Leonardo there was a tender persuasive- would have painted a noble portrait of her tones, shyly inviting him her. But there is something in her manner—" He stopped, unwilling or self conscious how openly all that was secure the restitution of the Vange propunable to finish the sentence. "Something you don't like?" Lord

Loring suggested. "No; something I don't quite understand. One doesn't expect to find any embarrassment in the manner of a wellbred woman. And yet she seemed to be as undisguisedly expressed to

he honest blue eyes of Stella's embarrassed when she spoke to me. Perhaps I produced an unfortunate impression on her." Lord Loring laughed.

"In any man but you, Romayne, I should call that affectation." "Why?" Romavne asked, sharply. Lord Loring looked unfeignedly sur-

you are the sort of a man who impresses women unfavorably at first sight? For once in your life indulge in the Lady Loring, by Gains- amiable weakness of doing yourself justice, and find a better reason for

For the first time since he and his friend had been talking together Romayne turned toward Stella. He innocently caught her in the act of looking at him. A younger woman, or Loring. She was not the woman to let question in low peremp- a woman of weaker character, would a fair opportunity escape her. have looked away again. Stella's noble will say to-morrow evening," she rehead dropped; her eyes sank slowly sumed, "at seven o'clock." until they rested on her long white

cred tones.

a long time?" "She is my wife's oldest and dearest friend. I think, Romayne, you would | But the hours, in their progress, mark I to make myself feel interested in Stella, if you saw the march of events as surely as they

ford that I was to Lord Loring's prophetic remark. hat is against me. "Let us look at the pictures," he sion brightened in their turn.

As he moved down the gallery the it happened, in an ex two priests met him. Father Benwell port to Rome, writter saw his opportunity of helping Penrose | ing:

to produce a favorable impression. tells me you have sent to the country | Romayne. for your books. Do you find a London hotel favorable to study?"

"It is a very quiet hotel," Romayne answered; "and the people know my ways." He turned to Arthur. "I have my own set of rooms, Mr. Penrose," he continued, with a room at your disposal. "This is for your private ear, Arthur. is distasteful to me. There are times Father Benwell answered before Pen- my question. rose could speak :

"You may perhaps find my young "Are you sure, Father, of what you life your reading leads you that way he knows more than most men of the rare and sorely-tried man to be the young ward. There were three the boys of eight to old manuscripts which treat of the silent, even to you.' early history of Christianity."

This delicately-managed reference to Romavne's projected work on "The Origin of Religions" produced its effect. He became instantly interested in Pen-

rose and his studies. "I should like very much to speak to you about those manuscripts," he said. Copies of some of them may, perhaps, be in the British museum. Is it asking too much to inquire if you are disengaged this morning?" "I am entirely at your service, Mr.

Romayne, "If you will kindly call at my hotel,

in an hour's time, I shall have looked over my notes, and shall be ready for be as welcome to you as it was to me. you with a list of titles and dates-There is the address." With those words be advanced to take

his leave of Lady Loring and Stella. Father Benwell was a man possessed of extraordinary power of foresightbut he was not infallible. Seeing that Romavne was on the point of leaving the house, and feeling that he had paved the way successfully for Romayne's amanuensis, he too readily assumed that there was nothing further to be gained by remaining in the gallery. In arriving at this conclusion he was adters. Between twenty and twenty-five, ditionally influenced by private and personal considerations. The interval be-"We will take her age at that esti- fore Penrose called at the hotel might mate. Arthur. In former years I have be usefully filled up by some wise asked how he made the discovery. had opportunities of studying women's words of advice, relating to the religious characters in the confessional. Can you uses to which he might turn his interhe returned with Penrose to the library.

> covered at a later time) one of the farm In the meanwhile Romayne was not permitted to bring his visit to a conclusion without hospitable remonstrance on the part of Lady Loring. She felt for Stella with a woman's enthusiastic devotion to the interest of true love; and she had firmly resolved that a matter so trifling as the cultivation of Ro. mayne's mind should not be allowed to stand in the way of the far more important enterprise of opening his heart to

the influence of the sex. "Stay and lunch with us," she said, when he held out his hand to bid her good-bve.

"Thank you, Lady Loring, I never take lunch.' "Well, then, come and dine with us

-no party; only ourselves. To-morrow and next day we are disengaged. Which day shall it be?"

Romayne still resisted. "You are very kind. In my state of health I am unwilling to make engagements which I may not be able to keep.

Lady Loring was just as resolute on her side. She appealed to Stella. "Mrme off with excuses. Try if you can per-

"I am not likely to have any influence, Adelaide."

she had roused in him. Lady Loring

observed him attentively. "Perhaps you underrate your influ-

ence, Stella?" she suggested. Stella remained impenetrable to persussion. "I have only been introduced to Mr. Romayne half an hour since," she said. "I am not vain enough to suppose that I can produce a favorable impression on any one in so short a

She had expressed, in other words, Romavne's ownidea of himself, in speaking of her to Lord Loring. He was struck by the coincidence. "Perhaps we have begun, Miss Eyre-

court, by misinterpreting one another," he said. "We may arrive at a better understanding when I have the honor of

He hesitated, and looked at Lady

"To-morrow," said Romayne. hands crossed upon her lap. For a shook hands with Stella and left the moment more Romayne looked at her picture gallery.

"Have you known Miss Eyrecourt for Benwell, carefully instructing Penrose of the household. in the next room, was not aware of it! . . . . . .

mark the march of time. The day Romayne bowed in silent submission passed, the evening came-and with its coming the prospects of the conver-Rochester Democra'. Let Father Benwell himself relate how

"I had arranged with Penrose that he

"The moment he entered the room. the signs of disturbance in his face told pened. I asked directly if there had any disagreement between Romayne and himself.

sincerely I feel for Mr. Romayne, and

Mr. Romayne, as well as his pen. Pen- ably tell you shall be told. Add to your

"It is needless to say that I abstained from directly answering the strange ap- long, braided hair formed a marked peal. If I found it necessary to our in- contrast with the closely-concealed locks terests to assert my spiritual authority, of the Shaker women. The little boys' I was of course resolved to do it. 'Let crowns were closely, shaven, while the me hear what you can tell,' I replied, locks at the base of the head had been 'and then we shall see.'

" Upon this, he spoke. I need scarcely recall to your memory how careful we were, in first planning the attempt to commenced a strain of quaint song, ourselves of the promise of success, which the peculiar character of the present owner held out to us. In reporting what Penrose said, I communicate a dis-

I had myse'f told him in speaking of fering,' Penrose said; 'and you added that your informant abstained from mentioning what the nature of that

tears. I gave him time, and then I before.

"He hesitated, but he answered ficiently established himself in the con- notes and memoranda,' Penrose said, fidence of his employer. There might, 'when he suddenly dropped the manuno doubt, be future opportunities for script from which he was reading to me. accompanying their march with a swing no doubt, be future opportunities for script from which he was reading to me. accomplishing this object, but Father A ghastly paleness overspread his face. Benwell was not a man to trust too im- He started up, and put both his hands plicitly in the future. The present oc- to his ears as if he heard something casion was, in respect of its certainty, dreadful, and was trying to deafen himthe occasion that he preferred. Making self to it. I ran to the door to call for one of his ready and plausible excuses, help. He stopped me; he spoke in faint, gasping tones, forbidding me to call any one in to witness what he sufsaid; it would soon be over. If I had not courage to remain with him I could go, and return when he was himself again. I so pitied him that I found the courage to remain. When it was over, he took me by the hand and thanked me. I had staid by him like a friend, he said, and like a friend he would treat me. Sooner or later (those were his exact words) I must be taken into his confidence, and it should be now. He told me his melancholy story. I implore you, Father, don't ask me to repeat it! Be content if I tell you the effect of it on myself. The one hone, the one consolation for him, is in our holy religion. With all my heart I

that I shall succeed!" "To this effect, and in this tone, Pen. ose spoke. I abstained from pressing him to reveal Romayne's confession. fortifies his otherwise weak character. [, too, believe he will succeed.

"But, before I close these lines, there

is a woman in our way. She shall not The tone in which she replied struck | can prevent it. But other women may Romayne. He looked at her. Hereyes, try their temptations on him. Even gravely meeting his, held him with a the conversion, from which we hope and strange fascination. She was not her- expect so much, cannot be relied on to noble and true in her nature, all that | erty. It is not enough for us that the was most deeply and sensitively felt in property is not entailed, and that there her aspirations, spoke at that moment in | is no rear relation with any pretentions her look. Romayne's face changed; he to inherit it. While Romayne remains turned pale under the new emotion that | a marriageable man there is always the danger of an heir to the estate being born. In my humble opinion, the one safe course is so to impress his mind, by means of Penrose, as to cultivate in him priest, we are sure of him. Be so good After he concluded, another song was as to present this idea at headquarters sung. The preacher then arose again and let me know the result at the earli-

est possible opportunity." Having completed his report Father Benwell reverted to the consideration and explained the recently inaugurated of his proposed inquiries into the past

history of Stella's life. would be unwise to attempt, no matter how guardedly, to obtain the necessary wife. If he assumed, at his age, to who had notoriously avoided him, they

ment, turn to suspicion. There was but one other person unler Lord Loring's roof to whom he could address himself, and that person

Father Benwell, "if I try the house-

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

the Elder. The marching ceased, and the Elderi The Lewistown (N. Y.) Journal says: Some of our readers have seen the Shak- after a few remarks, read an article from "Forgive the curiosity of an old stu- should call at my lodgings, and tell me er service. Many have not. For the a publication called "The Shaker Mandent, Mr. Romavne," he said, in his how he had prospered at the first per- benefit of both we give a report of last lifesto," published by the United Sociepleasant, cheerful way. "Lord Loring formance of his duties as secretary to Sanday's Shaker meeting at the little ties. The reading was followed by teschapel on the border of Androscoggin timonies by the brothers and sisters. county, some eleven miles from Lewis- One aged, gray-haired brother said town. Shaker village is perched on one | "I'm not ashamed of the Shaker life of the most arduous hills of the country. I'm glad I have given up the life of self me that something serious had hap- Miles away you can see the large stone and given myself to God. I want to be fortress like building where one of the a better Shaker." A sister said: "I two Shaker families composing the think the angels have come near unto community lives. The second family's us in our devotions. I am glad I am a Shaker. At the age of sixteen I said to home is in a weather-stained, old-fash-"He repeated the word with every ioned building, almost one hundred myself: 'Shall I serve myself or the appearance of surprise. 'Disagree- years of age. It was built in 1795, and Lord? Shall I lead a life of pleasure ment? he said. 'No words can tell how the elder said, after service, last Sun- or a godly life?' I said I would serve day: "It's not fit for a Christian to live God and I feel that I have done it. It in. We're making preparations now to build a new one." The Shakers in their many trials, get out of the world, assume "Relieved so far, I naturally asked dignified drab coat-tails and Shaker- the plain dress and language, and live a what had happened. Penrose betrayed esses in their neat, plain gowns, glisten- life of purity. I'm glad I did so. I a marked embarrassment in answering ing white pointed kerchiefs and their know I would have been as liable as scrupulously starched bonnets, were any woman in this world to succumb to marching from the house to the chapel temptations of the world if I hadn't "'I have innocently surprised a when the reporter arrived. In the placed myself beyond them." After secret,' he said, 'on which I had no church the Shakers formed, standing more marching the venerable blind friend's memory of some use to you, right to intrude. All that I can honor- in two squares, the males in one and Shaker closed the exercises by speaking the females in the other. The two di- a few words and requesting the audivisions stood facing each other, with ence to remain seated while they passed rose has studied in the Vatican library. many kindnesses, Father, and don't their hands classed in front of them. out. This was done. The Shaker ser-

ten years, and haff a dozen girls apparently of four to fourteen years, whose allowed to grow down their necks, in imitation of the flowing, patriarchal hair of the aged Shakers. Standing in this position, one voice

recover the Vange property, to assure | which all took up. It was something between a hymn and a chant. The melody was strange but pleasing, and was sung by all the voices, male and female, in unison. An impressive effect was given the last chord by all the singcovery which I venture to think will ers gradually softening the tone and ending the diminuendo in barely a mur-"He began by reminding me of what mur, at the same time slowly lowering their hands from the clasped position to their sides in perfect harmony with Romayne. 'You mentioned having the movement of the music. The elder fore used as a comparison to any one heard from Lord Loring of a great sor- then stepped forward to the space berow or remorse from which he was suf- tween the two sections of Shakers. The lines of his face indicate a man of remarkable firmness of character. The high, sloping forehead, the prominent Roman nose, the unrelaxed facial musremorse, or of the nervous malady con- cles, his stately demeanor, and the disnected with it, might be. I know what | tinct, solemn utterances of a deep, muhe suffers, and why he suffers, and with sical voice, all pointed to a mind of the what noble resignation he submits to his | most positive confictions and ability of no mean order. The elder read the fourteenth chapter of St. John. The his immortal "Pilgrim's Progress." "There Penrose stopped. You know men, women and children then sang the emotional nature of the man. It spiritedly a beautiful hymn. This and was only by a hard struggle with him- all the following hymns were given the or has deprived himself, of his thumb.

seemed to move the worshipers in a low who wished to escape his share in plainly, so far. 'We were sitting to- across the floor of the chapels They cut of sang, and marched with the regularity of militia, making square wheels, and accompanying their march with a swingupward. There were several fine singers | come a name of scorn affixed to every among the men, and all the women had excellent voices. The juvenile Shakers and dangers of life. seemed to enter into the service with the same enthusiasm as the veterans. It was amusing to a spectator to watch the solemn faces and attitudes of the little of its inception is as follows: Once the fellows. Not a suggestion of a smile lamented humorist was engaged to fill came over their for tures, and, to our an evening in the lecture course of a was a lad of perhaps ten summers. He England city. During the lecture an wore a loose, cherry-colored sack, and individual who occupied a seat on one

high buttoned relveteen waistcoat. of the front benches seemed determined He had a fair, untanned face and pale to resist the speaker's efforts to make blue eyes. The blue veins were seen through the delicate skin covering his both the listener and his intention, and temples, and he had a dreamy, far-away look. The neck-locks of light hair fell over his coat-collar. He seemed possessed of a most intense spirituality, Brown's queer conceits took effect. and was as deeply absorbed in his devotions as the Elder himself. Some of laughed and kicked like a delighted the young Shakeresses once in a while allowed a sly smile to interrupt the con- victory by coolly announcing to his tinuous solemnity. The Shakers take audience: "Ladies and gentlemen, this these children by adoption, and have will terminate the first act, and we will more requests to take and bring up drop the curtain for a few moments; orphan and uncared-for children than hey can comply with. The wards are the next act the lecturer will take the indentured to them until they are devote myself to his conversion, and, in twenty-one. Then they are at liberty my inmost soul, I feel the conviction to leave the community and go into the world if they wish. The Shakers educate them, and give them the best of home

among them one sandy-haired young nate the hordes that overrun their counman, apparently of not more than try. For a time it was applied promis. twenty-five years, who wore a plum-Arthur's earnestness and enthusiasm colored coat and who sang with much Eventually it came to mean such only unction. This young man stepped for- as had become prodigies, and was apward nervously, drank a little water from a glass, opened a Bible which lay on a window shelf, and after a nervous Roymane persists, my dear, in putting is a question which I must submit to lifting of the shoulders and compression the hero a wonder to others were acof the lips, read a text from the eighth verse of the third chapter of Second "But, beloved, be not ignorant Peter: of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years and a and the ready invention of mythology thousand years as one day." He then spoke earnestly for about fifteen minutes without notes in a measured, distinct and cultured voice. The speaker's heroes, a column was erected on his words were listened to with the most tomb. sacrifices were offered to him, profound attention by the audience. He and he became the chiect of prayer for was William Paul, the eloquent young supernatural aid. In this the Roman preacher of the Shakers. Mr. Paul has been with them about four years. He among their heroes six were held in is older than he looks, having reached the age of thirty-five years. He was born in Scotland, and educated in Glas- the twelve great gods. Of these one is gow. There are few pulpit orators who have the power of clothing their ideas in such chaste and eloquent language, or addressing themselves directly to the hearts of their hearers to a greater dea vocation for the priesthood. As a gree than the young Shaker Scotchman.

> desire to say a few words they have perfect liberty One of the strangers present arose custom of passing the contribution ginated by the Quakers themselves, but by the outsiders who desired to see the

might be accommodated more conveniinformation from Lord Loring or his ently. He then passed the hat and got a liberal collection. "Let us lay aside our seats and form in The settees were placed bewould certainly feel surprised, and side the walls. A small circle of singers surprise might, in due course of develop- formed in the center of the chapel. Around this inner circle the other wormarched, while all joined in the Shaker hymns, and kept up constantly a swing- olives and the fruit of a small date ing motion of their arms and hands in which grows naturally on the rock. was the housekeeper. As an old ser- concert with the rhymth. They took a They will not touch any fruits which for the Greeks in rant, possessing Lady Loring's confi- very graceful, promenade step, the the soldiers put in their way, except pendence, was dangerously wounded. two thousand feet. If it were possible fidence, she might prove a source of inwith steady attention. He roused himself, and spoke to Lord Loring in lowcred tones.

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formation; and she would feel flattered
so the spiritual director
the same place and in the "It may not be amiss," thought A handsome white silk handkerchief est part of the rock. They make light Byron and the Author," he says: "I and the regal grace exhibited in her of the difficulties of a rock which is 400 did not change or remove any portion Sbakers. The sightless eyes of one are perpendicular. In their gambols I would not be bandaged, plastered, "Never get nothin' right in the pa- from participating in this. Four or five pice, and let themselves down from one was kept alive by yolks of eggs and pers," moaned an old man in the bastile songs were sung, and accompanied by projection to another till they are a few water." He was reduced during the last night. "Name spelled wrong in this strange, sober walk-around. One feet from the line of the breakers, then process from 182 pounds to 144, but his

both lengthened his stride and drew down his face to equal proportions with

FAMILIAR PHRASES. The Origin of Some of Them-A Story

Out in the Cold .- An expression frequently applied in the United States and England to persons who have been driven out of office or who have not ob- the court house, and the father, snatchtury old, and was one of the sayings of mother in-law and quite a number of whalebone is fifteen francs the kilogram; P. H. B. Wyndhim, in 1874.

Burton in his "Anatomy of Melancholy," over 250 years ago, and since used by Dean Swift, Henry Fielding, Philip Sidney, Colley Cibber, Charles Churchill, William Shenstouse, and innumerable others, until it has become a very common expression.

Dead as a Door-nail.—Taken from the door-nail, the nail on which, in old doors, the knocker strikes, and thereirrevocably dead; one who has fallen (as Virgil says) multa morta : i. e., with abundant death, such as reiteration of strokes on the head naturally produce.

Better Late than Never.-Originated in 1557 (in the reign of Philip and Mary) with Thomas Tussen, who put it into his 'Five Hundred Points of Good Bunyan, the half-inspired tinker, into

Poltroon.-Derived from the Latin self that he abstained from bursting into same tremulous diminuendo ending as In old times a self-mutilation of this description was not infrequent on the In the next song one common spirit part of some cowardly, shrinking felcomfortable house, well furnished. stately march backward and forward the defense of his country; he would other valuable improvements. By come incapable of drawing the bow, and thus useless for wars. It is not to be wondered at that the "pollice truncus" -the poltroon-first applied to a coward of this sort, should afterwards be-

base and cowardly evader of the duties Go Out to See a Man .- This expression, which is often heard, was originated by "Artemus Ward" The story Artemus soon discovered concentrated all his powers on him. school-boy. Artemus celebrated his while the concert is being arranged for occasion to go out to see a man," and with perfect sang froid he left the platform for the ante-room, where he took the crane flew, but she fired, striking it

a pull from a flask of old Bourbon. Hero.-This word comes to us from other tongues. It belongs to the After several marching songs, the Greeks of old. They seem to have Shakers took seats. We had noticed used it in the first instance to desigcuously to all the men in the armyplied to these whether distinguished in war, arts, philosophy or even personal charms. The endowments that made counted for, according to the superstition of the time, on the ground that, whatever his seeming parentage, he was really the offspring of some divinity, soon produced a fable affiliating him on one or other of the gods. So soon as we was fairly placed on the calendar of followed the Greeks, and we find that such honor that they were said to have been received into the communion of Æsculapius, whose fame was won by the art of healing. Among ourselves the word has generally signified one who displayed a very high degree of valor and self-devotion in the cause of country, or some such cause.

Apes at Gibraltar.

As the chamois is the only antelope and said: "If any of our visiting friends found in Europe, the baboon is the only Quadrumana on that continent; it is found on the rocks of Gibraltar. protect these apes, and record all curifrom this register that at present the tribe of baboons consists of twenty five individuals, which always occupy that side of the rock which is sheltered from wind. It is supposed that the wind. them. They avoid it with the greatest care, and they can detect a change twenty four hours in advance, so that from one side of the rock to the other, bulbs (especially those of oxalis), wild with the Elder, and the little fellow equal agility.

PLUCKY GIRLS.

Seaside Story-About the Baby and The Miss Nellie Reed is the name of a roung woman of Georgia who accompanied her uncle to Nag's Head, North Most persons would have been appalled

of their teens, and yet they have found larity between the two substances. The the pillars are wooden columns, freshly time to meet to court to love to marry, horns, after undergoing a special proquarrel and to part. The Swopes live cess, are cut into strips, which are comat Mendota, Ill. When they parted the pressed and straightened and rendered wife carried off the baby. The other suitable for any purpose by the dressday the baby was taken by its mother to maker. Compressed cane has also been hocks growing near the porch remain as tained the appointments they had de- ing it from the maternal arms, tried to bone, but it does not answer the pursired and solicited. It is nearly a cen- | get to his carriage near by. Mother, | pose as well as buffalo horn. In France women performed a wild war dance that is to say, it has tripled in price Castles in the Air.—Used by Robert around the paternal kindnapper, but the during the last quarter of a century. kid was napped and placed in the hands In 1853 the quantity of bone brought of a nurse in a neighboring town. Be- into the United States was 5,652,300 fore the child had been in the custody pounds; in 1873 it was 190,000; in 1880; of the promoters of the scheme is in all of the nurse twenty-four hours the 400,000 pounds. In 1853 whalebone mother made her appearance and, be- was worth thirty-five cents per pound. fore the nurse could offer objections, in 1877, \$2.50, and at the present time she caught up the child, skipped out of is said to be selling at \$2 per pound. the house, drove furiously over into her In 1857, 143 vessels comprised the county and arrived safely at her father's Greenland fleet, and in 1877 house with the little charge. The spunky | teen were sent out. It will be observed heroine is now master of the situation. that the business varies considerably Inasmuch as both husband and wife are from time to time, and it seems pretty of wealthy and respectable families, the certain that the best days of whaling affair is causing considerable interest are over for the present. It is said that

for miles around Mendota. Miss Jennie Henrie is the name of a young woman who has won the admiration of the people of Kansas. Some time Husbandry," but it became among the creek. "To show what an enterprising household sayings when put by John | girl can do," says the Legan Enterprise, we will state that she came to that place several years ago with barely Then there are walking-sticks and riding co-insurers marry, and there not being enough means to sustain herself after entering the land. She went to work by the week and the money she earned was invested in improvements on the land until now, at which time she about thirty acres under cultivation

> industry and perseverance she has her. She will soon have a deed to one of the best tracts of land in that country. We take pride in mentioning such instances as this, and thus they will prove a worthy example to some young men we might mention to imitate. A few days ago a young woman who s visiting at the Bonsall mansion in Ar- is not so extensive as one might imagkansas City heard an unusual fluttering ine. It is principally confined to New in the room where a lot of canaries were. Ipon going to seek the cause she dis-

head as by its basilisk eyes. The fair they are scraped of all the gum that rescuer at once made an onslaught with adheres to them. They are next put in a pair of tongs and the snake was a steam-box, where a workmen straightknocked from the cage. Shortly after- ens them with a knife; they are finally wards the young woman found it coiled | polished, and are then ready to be made | ado miners, who pronounced it the pure around the leg of a table, and she use of for any purpose that the dresser bruised its head so positively that it may see fit. gave up the ghost. The charmed canary, used, nowadays, in the manufacture of snake, died a few hours afterwards.

A young woman, who was visiting in bone, but since its scarcity and high Elkton, Md., was out with a pleasure price, steel is mostly used for this pur- everybody, and the stampede of the question of marksmanship with a pistol | ribbon have just come into vogue. The | on which the discovery was made was in was discussed. Captain Jolliffe had on former look very beautiful and are very a wild portion of the country that had board a large caliber Smith & Wesson's | comfortable on the head. feeding along the shore, at a distance of grow, for they are slaughtered merci- of treasure-hunters made their way about seventy-five yards, and asked her to fire atit. As she was about to take aim

and bringing it down. Lime and Lead. It is said that a rather important fact | ful in the work of slaughter if it wishes has been observed in connection with the to be better compensated by these anitelegraph systems of some parts of mals, and the whale must be let alone been laid in leaden pipes buried beneath | fine corsets and the gentlemen fine the roadways, and in some places im- walking-sticks and riding-whips .bedded in mortar or cement. Wherever Brooklyn Eagle. his has been the case, it is reported that on opening up the pipes the lead has been found to have disappeared, and to have given place to a basic carbonate of a brittle and porous nature. Experiments conducted have shown, it is said, that lead when subject to a corrosive action which ultimately destroys it. Aspipe made of lead one twenty-fifth of an inch in thickness, and imbedded in lime mor tar, would, it was found, be eaten through in fileen or sixteen months. This can hardly be an original observation, for it is incredible that's

effect should never have been obse till the Germans began to lay their felt all the sensations of partial strangtelegraph wires under ground, if the facts are as represented. It certainly is not so well known, however, as its importance requires that it should be, if ime either in mortar or cement really has this effect upon this metal. It seems very probable that the bursting of pipes during a frost may be greatly facilitated by the attenuating action of this kind of corrosion. There are still well worth while to be aware of this source of raischief, especially as it passing through a wall were laid in lime which might chance to be in their stood that this applies to lead pipes be the action either of lime or of plaster of Paris on the "compo" pipes in such favor with jerry builders we can-

The late Edward John Trelawney, in 1823, when fighting with Lord Byron bringing up the rear. The queenly They sometimes descend to the cardens leg in the same place and in the same liv as upon its surface, an ordinary pemunity, was noticed by every beholder. level of the Mediterranean, at the steepwalk distinguished her from her sister meters in height, and the sides of which of my dress, nor use any extra covering. The sightless are of one meters in height, and the sides of which is polished is almost the builders of Babel had ever scaled in color while the remainder results and the sightless are of one meters in height, and the sides of which is polished is almost the builders of Babel had ever scaled in color while the remainder results are not applied to the builders of Babel had ever scaled in color while the remainder results are not applied to the builders of Babel had ever scaled in color while the remainder results are not applied to the builders of Babel had ever scaled in color while the remainder results are not applied to the builders of Babel had ever scaled in color while the remainder results are not applied to the builders of very aged and infirm Shaker, who took their favorite amusement is to disappoulticed, or even washed; ner would I partinthe other exercises prohibited him pear behind the borders of the preciallow anybody to look at my wound I the police report again this morning." of the scalp-locked lads was in the file to climb the giddy height again with an recovery when once begun was rapid

Seas have Been Im

The whale is the largest fish that Carolina's delightful resort. One after- swims in the sea, and it is probably the noon she accepted an invitation from most useful. It is, of course, captured one of her admirers to go sailing on the for its oil, but there is a part of its rest sea. The day was pleasant and the body which commerce has made exten- the plan young folks enjoyed themselves, start- sive use of to the enrichment of many ing just before sundown to return to men. In the upper jaw of the whale the shore. In going about the boom are thin, parallel laminæ, varying in struck the young man a terrific blow on size from three to twelve feet in length. the head and hurled him into the water. These are called whalebone, and all In the old days the Miss Reed instantly seized a boat hook above six feet in length is called size was a massive brick but and by hanging over the rail, exercising bone, a quality which commands the her utmost strength, she was able to highest price. Whalebone once brought were level fields that stretched for a drag her companion's body on board. a very high price, especially when hoop | ter of a mile or more, while three im Her efforts to restore the young man to skirts were more in fashion than they consciousness were not so successful, are to-day. The Dutch formerly rehowever, and it occurred to her that the ceived \$3,500 for a ton of whalebone. best thing to do was to sail with all but since 1763 it has never brought and even that had to be re-erected after speed for the shore. She had never anything like that price. In 1818 it handled a boat, but she had watched brought \$450 a ton, in 1834, from \$530 | walls, shot-shattered and bullet-pierced. sailors closely, and in a few minutes the to \$545, and in 1844 it varied from From the northern end of this poor craft was scudding along at lively speed. \$1,080 for Southern, and \$1,550 for remnant of the ruined inn stick out five Northern bone. As the whale becomes pieces of shrapnel-bolts that, as Mr. at such a task, especially as it grew scarce, of course whalebone will rise in Oliver fears, may yet play the mischief. dark and the wind freshened. A steady the market, and at present the Dutch Above these grim things is a ragged run of three-quarters of an hour brought and the Scotch whalers are doing a very rent in the gable end near the roof the boat to its landing, and then the poor business. The Americans also showing where shells knocked for adplucky Georgia miss delivered her complain, and now that this is the case. wounded charge into the hands of his the inventive genius of men is trying ing flight eighteen years ago. The vice was over, when the patriarch was

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Swope and Mrs. Swope are barely out satisfaction, and there is quite a simi-

> resorted to as a substitute for whaleonly sixnearly one-half of our whalebone is exported to France and Germany. There is no doubt that there is more whalebone consumed in Paris than in any off the palm in the manufacture of parasols, an article in the making of which whalebone forms a very material part.

der-bone, fishing-rods and tips, landingands for nets, drill-bones, ferules, ints, probangs, paper-cutters and Iders, graining-combs, boot-shanks

the Greenland whale. From the mouth

thousand to three thousand pounds are often taken. The manufacture of whalebone into articles of use and ornament York and Boston, four manufactories being in the former and three in the latter. When the raw whalebone is Whalebone is principally used to be made altogether of whale-Whalebone hats and whalebone season was inaugurated.

Whales, like seals, do not get time to The old ones are often killed of themselves, and the result of this cruelty is a loss of thousands and thousands of whales and seals in a year. Mankind will have to be more thought-The wires have in many parts | tor a few years if the ladies are to have

Life in High Altitudes. The greatest height to which men have ever mounted is about five and a half miles above the sea level, and the balloonists who ventured on that experiment were very glad to come down. short as their stay in the upper regions was they were almost frozen and almost suffocated. The cold so benumbed their hands that, had they not taken the precaution to carry with them chemicals for the production of a little artificial heat they would have pecome helpless

and lost their res from inabia mil a rope and let out the gas of the arms unde The air which they breathed his mouth of too thin to support life, and they all your we ling or drowning. Of course any labor at such a height was impossible. The census shows that the elevation at which men can live and work to aderally choose, is a very low one. above the sea level is about 2,600 feet, but the mean elevation of the popula tion is only about 700 feet. A height of 10,000 feet is considerably less than two miles, yet of all the 50,000,000 of people in our country only 26,400 live at that elevation. Not only men but other animals and

stence harder as they rise higher. As lants and animals diminish in number. he means of supporting human life rapidly decrease, so that the upward growth of the population, so to speak, checked long before the cold becomes for at least an hour, or until the par too severe to be endured or the air too thin for breathing. The bulk of the little band who

plants as well, find the struggle of ex-

reached a height of ten thousand feet are miners, and could be nothing else. More than three-fourths of the whole population choose to live at less than one thousand feet, or corsi lerably less than one-fifth of a mile above the sea, and only three per cent. of the inhabito walk upward from the earth as readmore than an hour he would reach a ing it is the hardest ever seen. not a miracle would have been required to convince them that their enterprise was a great waste of labor.

like a squat T. Around it on e tant stage roads came together in front of the yard. Now only one-third of the building-the northern end-stands, battle, when fire left nothing but bare

mission as they paused in their screamshattered by a round shot, was destroved by the fire, and in the places of painted and without a scratch. In the vard the visitor sees the outlines of the old house marked by shrubs, weeds and stray bricks, while a dozen sweet holly-

A Scheme to Encourage Mairimony. At the next meeting of the Ontario

legislature application will be made for

sentinels of garden long since gone.

the incorporation of the National Marriage Dowry Association. The object probability to make money, but the result of their quest of money will undoubtedly be to encourage the man and the maid to wed. The society firs began its operations in Indiana, and now casting its benevolent arms over the bachclors and spinsters in othe states, territories, and provinces. In the words of the circular, the association is established "to encourage lawful wedlock, to promote economy, to endow homes, and to make married life the end and aim of the rich and poor alike." The scheme is as follows: Supposing John Smith, on the 13th day of August other city in the world, for Paris carries | casts his lot in with this association. He pays, in the first place, \$5 for his cer tificate, and a semi-annual payment thereafter of \$1. In case some of his and driving whips, canes, corset-bones, sufficient funds in the treasurer's hands corset clasps, husks, hat-bone, suspen- to pay the sum to which the newly married man is entitled, an assessment of \$1 is levied all round. These are the payments to which he is liable. The penefits are that should he marry on the hoe-horns, policemen's loaded clubs | 13th of August, 1882, he is entitled to etc., that require whalebone in their \$200. Should his marriage not occur construction, or that are made superior for five years, he would be entitled to served of all observers, and the adm places she would not want for swains.

whips and corsets. Umbrella frames finally leaked out, and the excitement lessly, young and old, in the pursuit of there on horseback or afoot. They before the young are able to take care and in a day or two Deadwood, Central City and Lead City were almost deponulated. A town was laid out, lots ernment agreed to, and the place named hours the town contained nearly 1,000 inhabitants, and nine salcons were in operation. On the third day two faro panks were started, and to cap the cli max, on the fourth day the first copy of a daily newspaper, called the Carbono Reporter, was issued. Fifty buildings have been erected during one week and as high as \$500 has been paid fo building lots. The town promises to

permanent, as there have been me rect attention to the followi esuscitating the partially 1. Instantly turn pati with a large firm roll of his foreh

four or five patient's pressed out drains free as possible. Place between your knees, and fix yo grasping lower part of patient's naked pressing gradually forward with all your pressed out and pure air be drawn int ungs, about eight or ten times a min

fitted into the solid granite th joint is almost invisible. Above word "Nevada" is deeply cut it granite the metto of the state—"A somewhat gray appearance. rett, who has worked the A granite in the Atlantic states an pean granites in the old world, has never seen a harder bit of Nothing like it ever happened before the kind.—Virginia City (Ner. - an elephant's tail.—N. Y. News. prise.